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Honorable James Forrestal,
The Secretary of Defense,
National Defense Building,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

In both the files of the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy will be found some correspondence concerning a contractual relation between the Head Administration of the Cable Industry of the People's Commissariat of the Electrical Manufacturing Industry of the U. S. S. R. of Moscow and General Cable Corporation.

This relation which was established by us through the good auspices of the State Department at a time when Russia was our associate and ally at arms has in recent months been a subject of some concern to us and of some embarrassment.

You will, Sir, I am sure, be interested in the attached copy of letter which we received from the Russians in the early part of this year. This of course terminates our connections, and I would appreciate it if your office would so inform both the Navy and War Departments which were the two activities concerned with this particular contract.

Respectfully

/s/ Dwight R. G. Palmer

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